

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

F-1674

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

TYSON MANSION

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

101 &amp; 103 E. Church Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS 2 apts.☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER

COMMENTS: Italian Villa/Victorian

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

N. Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick, Maryland

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

## 7 DESCRIPTION

### CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT  
☐ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

### CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

### CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is a Victorian, Italianite style mansion, detached, is three bays square, and has a three bay square, slightly lower wing to the rear. The house is two stories in height and has another one bay square wing off the east wall, lower than the main house and fronted by a one story, one bay square wing even with the front facade of the house. The front section has a metal hipped roof with four chimneys equally spaced off the center of the ridge. The wing to the rear has a moderate slope, metal "A" frame roof. All brickwork is painted common bond.

The recessed doorway contains a four panel door with a rectangular transom and sidelights with paneling beneath. Plain pilasters separate the door from the sidelights. All glass is set in diamond shaped divisions of moulding. The front section of the doorway is framed by attached fluted pillars and pedestals with paneling and with long brackets at the top which support a curved broken pediment. This entranceway is in the central bay which protrudes from the front facade which is capped by a large overhanging pediment enclosing a circular window of segmental panes (rose style). The doorway is reached by a raised front grass terrace and by six sandstone steps. The high fieldstone foundation is hidden by plantings of yew along the front. On each side of the doorway is a pair of 4/4 windows with wide mullions and the whole is enclosed with a wide framing with moulded edges. Across the second floor front are three pairs of round arched 4/4 windows and framed like those on the first floor. On the west side and rear are 6/6 sash windows, louvered shutters and flat brick arches except for the second floor of the west side which has segmental arches. There are six basement windows across the west side. A two story porch and gallery run across the rear. A broad overhanging cornice decorates the roofline of the front section on all sides. It has closely spaced brackets with square medallions of a floral design and those are tied together by a moulded cornice at the bottom of the frieze. The top of the east wing has an incised cornice and the one story addition in front of it has a square boxed cornice with dentils—all different from the main house.

There are gardens at the rear of the house and a decorative cast iron fence around the front terrace. The house is fronted by a herringbone design brick pavement.

*See map side no. 53290*

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
C1855-C.F. Bowers Date Survey		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This is the former Tyson mansion and makes a very impressive contribution to the streetscape of E. Church Street. It compares favorably with the larger Italian Villa across the street and incorporates some of its features.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

*DOUGLAS M. GREENE  
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ORGANIZATION

*HISTORICAL DISTRICT COMMISSION  
CITY of FREDERICK, MD. 21701*

DATE

*APRIL 1973*

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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